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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 9, 2004, please enter the following Amendment:

Amendments to the claims begin on the following page.

Remarks begin on page 8.